# CITY OF BAXTER, IOWA

Independent Auditors' Report Basic Financial Statements and Supplemental Information and Findings

June 30, 2011

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# City of Baxter, Iowa Officials

Name	Title	Term Expires				
Stephen C. Smith	Mayor	January, 2014				
Bryan DeJong	Mayor Pro Tem	January, 2014				
Todd England	Council Member	January, 2016				
Larry Hesson	Council Member	January, 2016				
Kelly Milligan	Council Member	January, 2014				
Eric Nation	Council Member	January, 2014				
Peg Kimberley	City Clerk/Treasurer	Indefinite				
John Billingsley	City Attorney	Indefinite				

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council City of Baxter

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, and each major fund of the City of Baxter, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the City of Baxter's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards and provisions require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note 1, these financial statements were prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Also, as permitted by the Code of Iowa, the accounting records of the City were not audited from July 1, 2004 to June 30,2008. Accordingly, we were unable to satisfy ourselves as to the distribution of the total fund balance at July 1, 2010.

In our opinion, except for the effects of such adjustments, if any, as might have been determined to be necessary had we been able to verify the distribution by fund of the total fund balance at July 1, 2010, as discussed in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash basis financial position of the governmental activities, the business type activities, and each major fund of the City of Baxter as of June 30, 2011, and the respective changes in cash basis financial position for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also included our report on our consideration of the City of Baxter's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis and the Budgetary Comparison information are not required parts of the basic financial statements, but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. We did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Baxter's basic financial statements. We previously audited, in accordance with the standards referred to in the second paragraph of this report, the financial statements for the years ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 (which are not presented herein) and expressed a qualified opinion on those financial statements which were prepared in conformity with an other comprehensive basis of accounting. Other supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 4, including the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards required by U. S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, <u>Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non- Profit Organizations</u>, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

July 30, 2012

Polland and Company P.C.

### CITY OF BAXTER

# Management's Discussion and Analysis June 30, 2011

The City of Baxter provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the City financial statements, which follow.

# 2011 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Revenues of the City's governmental activities increased 168%, or \$1,890,361 from fiscal year 2010 to fiscal year 2011. Bond proceeds increased \$2,382,965, and grants decreased \$556,528.

Disbursements of the City's governmental activities increased 170%, or \$1,965,708 in fiscal year 2011 from fiscal year 2010. Debt service and Capital projects disbursements increased \$71,558 and \$1,792,835 respectively.

The City's total cash basis net assets decreased 18%, or \$101,153 from June 30, 2010 to June 30, 2011. Of this amount, the assets of the governmental activities decreased \$164,593 and the assets of the business type activities increased \$63,440.

# USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements and other information as follows:

Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the City's financial activities.

The Government-wide Financial Statement consists of a Statement of Activities and Net Assets. This statement provides information about the activities of the City as a whole and presents an overall view of the City's finances.

The Fund Financial Statements tell how governmental services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements report the City's operations in more detail than the government-wide statement by providing information about the most significant funds.

Notes to financial statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

Required Supplementary Information further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the City's budget for the year.

Other Supplementary Information provides detailed information about the City's indebtedness. In addition, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards provides details of various federal programs benefiting the City.

# **Basis of Accounting**

The City maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statements of the City are prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statements do not present financial position and results of operations of the funds in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this annual report, the reader should keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the cash basis of accounting.

## REPORTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Government-wide Financial Statement

One of the most important questions asked about the City's finances is, "Is the City as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Activities and Net Assets reports information which helps answer this question.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets presents the City's net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in the City's net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the City is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets is divided into two kinds of activities:

Governmental Activities include public safety, public works, culture and recreation, community and economic development, general government, and debt service. Property tax and grants finance most of these activities,

Business Type Activities include the waterworks, sanitary sewer system, and landfill. These activities are financed primarily by user charges. Capital projects are financed by grants and loan proceeds.

# Fund Financial Statements

# The City has two kinds of funds:

1. Governmental funds account for most of the City's basic services. These focus on how money flows into and out of those funds, and the balances at year-end that are available for spending. The governmental funds include:
1) General Fund, 2) Special Revenue Funds (Road Use, Local Option Sales Tax, Employee Benefits, and Urban Renewal Tax Increment),
3) Debt Service Fund, and 4) Permanent Fund. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed, short-term view of the City's general government operations and the basic services it provides.

Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the City's programs. The required financial statements for governmental funds include a statement of cash receipts, disbursements and changes in cash balances.

2. Proprietary funds account for the City's Enterprise Funds. Enterprise Funds are used to report business type activities. The City maintains three Enterprise Funds to provide separate information for the water, sewer, and landfill funds, considered to be major funds of the City. The required financial statements for proprietary funds include a statement of cash receipts, disbursements and changes in cash balances.

# GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of financial position. The City's cash balance for government activities decreased \$164,593 from a year ago. The analysis that follows focuses on the changes in cash basis net assets of governmental activities.

# Changes in Cash Basis Net Assets of Governmental Activities

Receipts	Year ended June 30						
	2011	2010					
Program Receipts:							
Charges for service	548.00	2,158.00					
Operating grants, contributions, restricted interest	st 117,580.00	111,214.00					
General Receipts:							
Property tax	199,110.00	170,979.00					
Tax Increment Financing	103,642.00	140,593.00					
Local option sales tax	79,673.00	76,647.00					
Unrestricted interest on investments	9,323.00	8,893.00					
Bond proceeds	101,000.00	0.00					
Other general receipts	18,089.00	10,654.00					
Total Receipts	628,965.00	521,138.00					
Disbursements:							
Public safety	165,338.00	148,271.00					
Public works	176,760.00	110,023.00					
Health and social services	0.00	780.00					
Culture and recreation	44,880.00	37,420.00					
Community and economic development	66,744.00	194,029.00					
General government	61,562.00	59,031.00					
Debt service	225,709.00	10,746.00					
Total Disbursements	740,993.00	560,300.00					
Change in cash basis net assets before transfers	(112,028.00)	(39,162.00)					
Transfers net	(52,565.00)	0.00					
Change in cash basis net assets	(164,593.00)	(39,162.00)					
Cash basis net assets beginning of year	393,879.00	433,041.00					
Cash basis net assets end of year	\$229,286.00	\$393,879.00					

The City's total receipts for governmental activities increased 20.6%, or \$107,827. The total cost of all programs and services increased approximately \$180,693, or 32.2%. The significant increase in receipts was primarily the result of proceeds received from the issuance of water improvement and vehicle acquisition bonds totaling \$101,000. The significant increase in disbursements was a result of debt service payments.

The City increased property tax rates for the fiscal year 2011 an average of 2%. This increase raised the City's property tax receipts approximately \$28,420 in fiscal year 2011.

Changes in Cash Basis Net Assets of Business T	ype Activities	
Receipts	Year ended J	fune 30
	2011	2010
Program Receipts		
Charges for services	528,827.00	465,982.00
Capital grants, contributions, restricted interes	t 509,417.00	1,071,474.00
General Receipts		
Unrestricted interest on investments	618.00	837.00
Bond proceeds	2,982,630.00	700,665.00
Total Receipts	4,021,492.00	2,238,958.00
Disbursements		
Debt service	144,850.00	111,888.00
Business type activities	309,529.00	277,350.00
Capital Projects	3,564,058.00	1,836,364.00
Total Disbursements	4,018,437.00	2,225,602.00
Change in cash basis net assets before transfers	3,055.00	13,356.00
Transfers net	60,385.00	0.00
Change in cash basis net assets	63,440.00	13,356.00
Cash basis net assets beginning of year	180,997.00	167,641.00
Cash basis net assets end of year	\$244,437.00	\$180,997.00

Total business type activities receipts for the fiscal year were \$4,021,492 compared to \$2,238,958 last year. This significant increase was due primarily to the receipt of \$2,982,630 in sewer construction bond proceeds. Total disbursements for the fiscal year increased 80% to \$4,018,437 due primarily to capital project costs.

# INDIVIDUAL MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUND ANALYSIS

As the City of Baxter completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$229,286, a decrease of \$164,593 from last year's total of \$393,879. The following are major reasons for the changes in fund balances of the major funds from the prior year.

General Fund – The General Fund cash balance increased \$20,005 from the prior year to \$86,107. The primary reason for the increase was property tax revenues.

The Special Revenue, Urban Renewal Tax Increment Fund was established to account for urban renewal projects within the City's business district. During the fiscal year the current taxes and prior year balance was used to pay \$211,432 of debt service associated with the projects. The TIF LMI fund decreased by \$57,519 due to related expenditures.

### INDIVIDUAL MAJOR PROPRIETARY FUND ANALYSIS

The Sewer Fund cash balance increased \$61,607 due primarily to an increase in rates in anticipation of future debt service resulting from the sewer project.

### BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Over the course of the year, the City amended its budget once in May 2011. This amendment covered additional disbursements in Public Works with additional expenses for highway sign operations/maintenance, endloader purchase, truck-plow purchase, and repairs to the steel sand cover due to wind damage. Increase in estimated expenditures in the Capital Projects Fund for water, wastewater and storm water infrastructure projects. Increase in projected TIF expenditures. Under General Government, a single audit required due to federal funds received for infrastructure projects and additional expenditures with the Community Building for the budgeted purchase of new appliances, tables/chairs. Additional revenues in the General Fund include an increase in estimated LOST taxes, court costs, and funds received for the purchase of appliances, tables/chairs from the Clement Trust Fund. Under Road Use, an increase in estimated Road Use Taxes, insurance claim funds for wind damage, transfer-in of revenues for the purchase of a truck and plow. Under the Proprietary Fund an increase in water and sewer revenues was also noted. The City had sufficient cash balances to absorb these additional costs.

# **DEBT ADMINISTRATION**

As of June 30, 2011, the City had approximately \$5,263,286 in bond and other long-term debt compared to \$2,439,930 last year, as shown below.

# Outstanding Debt at Year-End

	June 30, 2011	2010
General Obligation Bonds & Notes	1,179,211	68,617
TIF Revenues Bonds	355,324	496,954
Revenue Bonds	3,728,751	1,874,359
Total	\$5,263,286	\$2,439,930

Debt increased as a result of issuing bonds for the sewer construction project.

The Constitution of the State of Iowa limits the amount of general obligation debt cities can issue to 5% of the assessed value of all taxable property within the City's corporate limits. The City's outstanding general obligation and TIF debt is below its constitutional debt limit of \$2,104,427.

# ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

The City of Baxter's elected and appointed officials considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2012/13 budget, tax rates, and fees. At the time of budget preparation the City had completed the Clear Well Pump Station Water Improvement Project. The Storm Water Improvement Project had reached completion with the City negotiating costs for a 3-year seed maintenance plan to be funded by H&W Contracting. The Wastewater Lagoon Construction Project had experienced delays due to slope movement of a primary cell wall caused by wet subsoil conditions. French drains were installed at an additional cost. Slope movement continued to be an issue requiring additional dirt work and expenses. Legal counsel was retained by the City during this corrective process for future arbitration purposes once the project reaches completion. These factors were taken into account when adopting the budget for the fiscal year 2012/13. Budgeted receipts are estimated at \$1,429,459 with budgeted disbursements estimated at \$1,431,890. City investments, time certificates and savings accounts must also be taken into consideration in this overall picture.

If these estimates are realized, the City's budgeted cash balance is expected to decrease by -\$2,431.

# CONTACTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and creditors with a general overview of the City's finances and to show the City's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Peg Kimberley, City Clerk, 203 S. Main Street, Baxter, Iowa.

# City of Baxter, Iowa Statement of Activities and Net Assets – Cash Basis As of and for the year ended June 30, 2011

				Progr	am Receipts		
	Disbursements			Charges for Services	Operating Grants, Contributions, and Restricted Interest	Contribu	Grants, tions and d Interest
Functions/Programs							
Governmental Activities							
Public safety	\$	157,518	\$	1,955			
Public works		176,760			107,016		
Culture and recreation		44,880			10,564		
Community and economic development		66,744					
General government		61,562		3,907			
Debt service		225,709					
Total governmental activities		733,173		5,862	117,580		
Business type activities							
Water		477,849		187,834			509,417
Sewer		3,447,995		258,148			
Landfill		92,593		82,845			
Total business type activities		4,018,437		528,827			509,417
Total Primary Government	\$	4,751,610	\$	534,689	\$ 117,580	\$	509,417
Component Unit							
Baxter Economic Development Corporation	\$	341,481	\$	194,600			
a							

# General Receipts

Property tax levied for

General purposes

Tax increment financing

Local option sales tax

Unrestricted interest on investments

Bond proceeds

Miscellaneous

Transfers

Total general receipts and transfers

Change in cash basis net assets

Cash basis net assets beginning of year

Cash basis net assets end of year

Cash basis net assets

Restricted:

Nonexpendable: Cemetery perpetual care

Expendable:

Streets

Debt service

Other purposes

Unrestricted

Total cash basis net assets

There were no reconciling items between the Governmental and Proprietary Fund Statements of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances and the above Statement, See notes to financial statements.

Net(Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Cash Basis Net Assets

Governmental Activities		Business Type Activities	Total	Discretely Presented Component Unit				
\$	(155,563)		\$ (155,563)					
	(69,744)		(69,744)					
	(34,316)		(34,316)					
	(66,744)		(66,744)					
	(57,655)		(57,655)					
	(225,709)		(225,709)					
	(609,731)		(609,731)					
		219,402	219,402					
		(3,189,847)	(3,189,847)					
		(9,748)	 (9,748)					
		(2,980,193)	(2,980,193)					
\$	(609,731)	(2,980,193)	 (3,589,924)					
					(146,881)			
	199,110		199,110					
	103,642		103,642					
	74,893		74,893					
	9,323	618	9,941					
	101,000	2,982,630	3,083,630					
	17,555		17,555					
	(60,385)	60,385						
	445,138	3,043,633	 3,488,771					
	(164,593)	63,440	(101,153)		(146,881)			
	393,879	180,997	574,876		997,293			
\$	229,286	244,437	\$ 473,723	\$	850,412			
\$	51,198 \$		\$ 51,198	\$				
	30,951		30,951					
		6,248	6,248					
	78,226	65,029	143,255		850,412			
	68,911	173,160	242,071					
\$	229,286	\$ 244,437	\$ 473,723	\$	850,412			

# City of Baxter, Iowa Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances Governmental Funds

# As of and for the year ended June 30, 2011

			Special Revenue								
		General	Roa	ad Use Tax	Local Option Sales Tax		Employee Benefits				
Receipts											
Property Taxes	\$	163,804	\$		\$	\$	35,306				
Tax Increment Financing Collections											
Other City Taxes		4,780			74,893						
Licenses and Permits		5,862									
Use of Money and Property		9,323									
Intergovernmental		10,564		107,016							
Charges for Services											
Miscellaneous		12,227									
Total Receipts		206,560		107,016	74,893		35,306				
Disbursements											
Operating											
Public Safety		135,780					21,738				
Public Works				169,095			7,665				
Health and Social Services											
Culture and Recreation		42,907					1,973				
Community and Economic Development		363									
General Government		55,629					5,933				
Debt Service											
Total Disbursements	•	234,679		169,095			37,309				
Excess (deficiency) of receipts											
over (under) disbursements		(28,119)	)	(62,079)	74,893		(2,003)				
Other financing sources (uses)											
Bond Proceeds											
Operating transfers in		76,893		59,564							
Operating transfers out		(28,769)	)		(74,893)						
Total other financing sources (uses)		48,124		59,564	(74,893)						
•	•										
Net change in cash balances		20,005		(2,515)			(2,003)				
Cash balance - beginning of year		66,102		33,466			(666)				
Cash balance - end of year	\$	86,107	\$	30,951	\$	\$	(2,669)				
Cash basis fund balances (Deficit)											
Nonspendable- Cemetery perpetual care	\$		\$		\$	\$					
Restricted for:											
Streets				30,951							
Other purposes											
Unnassigned		86,107					(2,669)				
Total cash basis fund balances	\$	86,107		30,951	\$	\$	(2,669)				

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

	Special	Revenue						
•		Urban Renewal						
Urb	an Renewal	Tax Increment -						
Tax	Increment	L.M.I		Debt Service		Cemetery		Total
\$		\$	\$	;	\$		\$	199,110
	94,780	8,862						103,642
								79,673
								5,862
								9,323
								117,580
						548		548
								12,227
	94,780	8,862				548		527,965
								157,518
								176,760
								44,880
		66,381						66,744
		,						61,562
	164,255			61,454				225,709
	164,255	66,381		61,454	-			733,173
		<del></del>						
	(69,475)	(57,519	)	(61,454)		548		(205,208)
•								
				101,000				101,000
				54,997				191,454
	(47,177)			(101,000)				(251,839)
	(47,177)	l		54,997				40,615
	(116,652)	(57,519	)	(6,457)		548		(164,593)
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~	116,652	135,745		(8,070)	ć	50,650	ď.	393,879
\$		\$ 78,226	\$	(14,527)	\$	51,198	\$	229,286
\$		\$	\$		\$	51,198	\$	51,198
								30,951
		78,226						78,226
		•		(14,527)				68,911
\$		\$ 78,226	\$		\$	51,198	\$	229,286

# City of Baxter, Iowa Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances Proprietary Funds As of and for the year ended June 30, 2011

		Water		Sewer	I	andfill		Total
Operating receipts						00.045		
Charges for service	\$	187,834	\$	258,148	\$	82,845	\$	528,827
Total operating receipts								
Operating disbursements								
Business-type activities		131,921		85,015		92,593		309,529
Total operating disbursements		131,921		85,015		92,593		309,529
Excess (deficiency) of operating receipts								
over (under) operating disbursements		55,913		173,133		(9,748)		219,298
Non-operating receipts (disbursements)								
Intergovernmental				509,417				509,417
Interest on Investments		510		108				618
Bond Proceeds		219,586		2,763,044				2,982,630
Capital Projects		(299,332)		3,264,726)				3,564,058)
Debt service		(46,596)		(98,254)			`	(144,850)
Total non-operating receipts (disbursements)		(125,832)		(90,411)				(216,243)
Excess (Deficiency) of receipts								
over (under) disbursements		(69,919)		82,722		(9,748)		3,055
Other financing sources (uses)								
Operating transfer in		72,750		8,750		8,750		90,250
Operating transfer out		12,130		(29,865)		0,750		(29,865)
Total other financing sources (uses)	•	72,750		(21,115)		8,750		60,385
Net change in cash balances		2,831		61,607		(998)		63,440
Cash balances - beginning of year		107,382		7,588		66,027		180,997
Cash balances - end of year	\$	110,213	\$		\$	65,029	\$	244,437
Cash basis fund balances			-					
Assigned for landfill closure costs	\$		\$		\$	65,029	\$	65,029
Restricted for debt service	Ψ		Ψ	6,248	Ψ	03,023	Ψ	6,248
Unrestricted		110,213		62,947				173,160
Total cash basis fund balances	\$	110,213	\$		\$	65,029	\$	244,437

See notes to financial statements

# City of Baxter, Iowa Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2011

# 1/ Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The City of Baxter is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa located in Jasper County. It was first incorporated in 1894 and operates under the Home Rule provisions of the Constitution of Iowa. The City operates under the Mayor-Council form of government with the Mayor and Council Members elected on a nonpartisan basis. The City provides numerous services to citizens including public safety, public works, culture, recreation, public improvements, and general administrative services.

# A. Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, the City of Baxter has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions, and authorities. The City has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable, and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the City are such that exclusion would cause the City's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing board and (1) the ability of the City to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on the City.

The Baxter Economic Development Corporation is a not-for-profit corporation organized for the purpose of performing specific economic development activities within the City of Baxter. The Baxter Economic Development Corporation has a fiscal year end that is different from that of the primary government. The financial information reported in the Statement of Activities and Net Assets – Cash Basis reflects the unaudited revenue and expenses for the year ending December 31, 2010.

### Jointly Governed Organizations

The City participates in several jointly governed organizations that provide goods or services to the City's citizenry, but do not meet the criteria for a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. City officials are members of the following boards and commissions: The Jasper County Library Board, Jasper County E911 Board, Jasper County Disaster Services, and Jasper County Animal Rescue League.

The City joined with the West Malaka Benefited Fire District to finance the operations for fire suppression and emergency response for all rural property within the benefited fire district. The City and District share in the cost of operating a fire department based upon a running five year average based on total taxable property valuations, annual total of fire and rescue calls, and homestead tax credits within the area. The agreement covers the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011 and is renewed on an annual basis. During the year ended June 30, 2011, the City paid \$26,779 to the District.

# B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements - The Statement of Activities and Net Assets reports information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the City. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from this statement. Governmental activities, which are supported by tax and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for services.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets presents the City's non-fiduciary net assets. Net Assets are reported in three categories:

Nonexpendable restricted net assets are subject to externally imposed stipulations which require them to be maintained permanently by the City.

Expendable restricted net assets result when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net assets consist of net assets that do not meet the definition of the preceding categories. Unrestricted net assets often have constraints on resources imposed by management, which can be removed or modified.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets demonstrates the degree to which direct disbursements of a given function are offset by program receipts. Direct disbursements are those which are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program receipts include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants, contributions and interest on investments restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property tax and other items not properly included among program receipts are reported instead as general receipts.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> – Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and proprietary funds. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the City. All general tax receipts and other receipts not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating disbursements, the fixed charges and the capital improvement costs that are not paid from other funds.

### Special Revenue:

The Road Use Tax Fund is used to account for road construction and maintenance.

Local Option Sales Tax is used to account for the one cent local option tax.

The Employee Benefits Fund is used to account for the tax levy and the disbursement for the benefits.

Urban Renewal Tax Increment Fund is used to account for the tax increment financing collections and the repayment of tax increment financing indebtedness and the payment of other expenses relating to the Tax Increment Financing District

Urban Renewal Tax Increment – LMI Fund is used to account for the tax increment financing collections and payment of expenses related to the City's Low to Moderate Income housing program.

Debt Service Fund is utilized to account for property tax and other revenues to be used for the payment of interest and principal on the City's general long-term debt.

Cemetery Perpetual Care is utilized to account for the cemetery fee which is held in trust for the perpetual maintenance of internment spaces in the cemetery.

The City reports the following major proprietary funds:

The Water Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's water system and its capital improvements disbursements and financing sources.

The Sewer Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's waste water treatment and sanitary sewer system and its capital improvements disbursements and financing sources.

The Landfill Fund accounts for the operation of the City's solid waste disposal system.

#### C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The City of Baxter maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statements of the City are prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statements do not present financial position and results of operation of the funds in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the City funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical block grants and general receipts. Thus, when program disbursements are paid, there are both restricted and unrestricted cash basis net assets available to finance the program. It is the City's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by categorical block grants and then general receipts.

When a disbursement in governmental funds can be paid using either restricted or unrestricted resources, the City's policy is generally to first apply the disbursement toward restricted fund balance and then less restrictive classifications- committed, assigned and the unassigned fund balances.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating receipts and disbursements from non-operating items. Operating receipts and disbursements generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a propriety fund's principal ongoing operations. All receipts and disbursements not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating receipts and disbursements.

# D. Budget and Budgetary Accounting

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Required Supplementary Information.

#### 2/ Cash and Pooled Investments

The City's deposits in banks at June 30, 2011 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

The City is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States Government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the City Council; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts, and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

Interest Rate Risk – the City's investment policy limits the investment of operating funds (funds expected to be expended in the current budget year or within 15 months of receipt) in instruments that mature within 397 days. Funds not identified as operating funds may be invested in investments with maturities longer than 397 days, but maturities shall be consistent with the needs and use of the City.

# 3/ Bonds and Notes Payable

Annual debt service requirements for general obligation notes, and revenue bonds and notes are as follows:

	Ger	neral Oblig	ation Bor	ıds		Fax Increme Revenu		~		Revenue	Bond	ls		Total		1		
Year Ending			T.4.		Б		ν.					[-4A	,	Dula atau1		Internal		
June 30,	ľ	rincipal	Inter	rest	P	rincipal	In	terest	ŀ	rincipal		Interest		Principal		Interest		
2012		34,000		3,308		82,000		13,120		136,612		98,763		252,612		115,191		
2013		29,500		2,183		82,000		9,840		141,492		93,713		252,992		105,736		
2014		29,500		1,241		82,000		6,560		145,417		89,698		256,917		97,499		
2015		8,000		300		82,000		3,280		150,388		82,076		240,388		85,656		
2016										156,407		80,028		156,407		80,028		
2017-2021										864,201		319,704		864,201		319,704		
2022-2026										887,149		179,098		887,149		179,098		
2027-2031										651,000		55,800		651,000		55,800		
Total	\$	101,000	\$	7,032	\$	328,000	\$	32,800	\$	3,132,666	\$	998,880	\$	3,561,666	\$	1,038,712		

## Revenue Bonds

The City has pledged future water customer receipts, net of specified operating disbursements, to repay \$500,000 and \$272,00 in water revenue bonds issued in September 1982 and February 2010, respectively. Proceeds from the bonds provided financing for the water system construction and improvement The bonds are payable solely from water customer net receipts and are payable through 2030. Annual principal and interest payments on the bonds are expected to equal net receipts. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the bonds is \$657,677.For the current year, principal and interest paid and customer net receipts were \$46,596 and \$55,913, respectively. Effective July 1, 2011, the water rates were increased.

The City has pledged future sewer customer receipts, net of specified operating disbursements, to repay \$2,905,000 in sewer revenue bonds issued in March 2007, January 2008 and February 2010. Proceeds from the bonds provided financing for the sewer treatment plant construction and improvement. The bonds are payable solely from sewer customer net receipts and are payable through 2031. Annual principal and interest payments on the bonds are expected to require less than 90 percent of net receipts. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the bonds is \$3,473,869. For the current year, principal and interest paid and customer net receipts were \$98,254 and \$173,133 respectively. Effective July 1, 2011, the sewer rates were increased.

The resolutions providing for the issuance of the revenue bonds include the following provisions.

- a) The bonds will only be redeemed from the future earnings of each enterprise activity and the bond holders hold a lien on the future earnings of the funds.
- b) Sufficient monthly transfers shall be made to a separate sewer revenue bond sinking accounts for the purpose of making the bond principal and interest payments when due.
- c) Sewer user rates shall be established and charged to customers at least sufficient to pay the expenses of operation and maintenance and to have a balance of net revenues equal to at least 110% of the principal and interest on the bonds falling due in the same year.

During the year ended June 30, 2010, the City issued \$340,000 in Water Revenue Bonds and \$2,825,000 in Sewer Revenue Bonds to improve the water and sewer systems. Through June 30, 2011, the entire proceeds from the bonds had not been received because the projects were not complete. In addition, \$68,000 of the

Water Revenue Bonds and \$1,123,000 of the Sewer Revenue Bonds will be forgivable when the projects are complete. Also see note 12.

# Urban Renewal Tax Increment Financing Revenue Bonds

The City issued \$1,404,648 of urban renewal tax increment financing (TIF) revenue bonds for the purpose of defraying a portion of the costs of various construction and refurbishing projects within the urban renewal district. The bonds are payable solely from TIF receipts generated by increased property values in the City's TIF district and credited to the Special Revenue, Urban Renewal Tax Increment Funds in accordance with Chapter 403.19 of the Code of Iowa. TIF receipts are generally projected to produce 100 percent of the debt service requirements over the life of the bonds. The proceeds of the urban renewal tax increment financing revenue bonds shall be expended only for purposes which are consistent with the plans of the City's urban renewal area. The bonds are not a general obligation of the City. However, the debt is subject to the constitutional debt limitation of the City. Total principal and interest remaining on the bonds is \$360,800 payable through June, 2015 For the current year, principal and interest paid, and total TIF receipts were \$94,780 and \$164,255, respectively.

# Storm Water Improvement Bonds

During the year ended June 30, 2010, the City issued \$1,279,000 in bonds to improve the storm water system. Through June 30, 2011, the entire proceeds from the 2010A bonds had not been received because the project was not complete. In addition, \$254,000 of the 2010 B bonds will be forgivable when the project is complete. The annual debt service requirements will not be determined until the project is completed in the year ending June 30, 2012. Also see note 12.

# 4/ Pension and Retirement Benefits

The City contributes to the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System (IPERS) which is a cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits, which are established by State statute to plan members and beneficiaries. IPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to IPERS, P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9117.

Most regular plan members are required to contribute 4.50% of their annual covered salary and the City is required to contribute 6.95% of covered salary. Certain employees in special risk occupations and the City contribute an actuarially determined contribution rate. Contribution requirements are established by state statute. The City's contributions to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2011,2010 and 2009 were \$15,043, \$13,345 and \$11,532, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

#### 5/ Compensated Absences

City employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, retirement, or death. These accumulations are not recognized as disbursements by the City until used or paid. The City's approximate liability for these earned termination payments payable to employees at June 30, 2011, primarily relating to the General Fund, is \$14,700.

This liability has been computed based on rates of pay as of June 30, 2011.

# 6/ Risk Management

The City of Baxter is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. The City assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

# 7/ Interfund Transfers

The detail of Interfund Transfers for the year ended June 30, 2011 is as follows. Transfers generally move resources from the fund statutorily required to collect the resources to the fund statutorily required to disburse the resources.

	Transfer to												
	•		Road		Debt		Water		Sewer		L	andfill	
Transfer from		ieneral	Use		Service			Fund		Fund	Fund		Total
General	\$		\$	20,949	\$	7,820	\$		\$		\$		\$ 28,769
Debt Service		2,000		8,750				72,750		8,750		8,750	101,000
Tax Increment						47,177							47,177
Local Option Sales Tax		74,893											74,893
Sewer				29,865									29,865
	\$	76,893	\$	59,564	\$	54,997	\$	72,750	\$	8,750	\$	8,750	\$ 281,704

#### 8/ Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that effect the reported amounts and disclosure of liabilities, contingent liabilities, and commitments at the date of the financial statements, and the classification of receipts and disbursements during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from the estimates that were used.

#### 9/ Landfill Closure and Postclosure Care

The City has entered into an agreement with several other municipalities, as allowed under Code of Iowa Section 28E, to provide for economically and environmentally responsible disposal of solid waste and establish permanent responsibility for the Newton Sanitary Landfill. State and Federal laws and regulations require the Newton Sanitary Landfill to place a final cover on the site and perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the site for thirty years after closure. To date, 29% of the landfill has been filled and the estimated total liability for such is \$4,744,200, based on 2010 cost estimates. Actual costs may be higher due to inflation, technology changes, and changes in regulations. As specified in the 28E agreement, the City is responsible for 2.11% or approximately \$100,000. The City's proportionate share is updated annually in accordance with the agreement.

# 10/ Related Party Transactions

The City had business transactions between the City and City officials totaling \$10,256 during the year ended June 30, 2011.

# 11/ Tax Increment Financing- LMI

The Urban Renewal Tax Increment – LMI fund contains the division of tax receipts as provided for in Chapter 403.19 of the Code of Iowa for the purpose of providing or aiding public improvements and residential development. That Chapter and Chapter 403.22 provides that the City must include assistance to low and moderate income family housing. The City has adopted and implemented an affordable housing plan.

### 12/ Commitments and Contingencies

During the year, the City had committed to the completion of the construction of water, sewer and storm water improvements totaling \$1,588,000 which were to be financed by the remaining proceeds of \$760,104 from the respective bonds issued during the year, \$371,960 from Community Development Block Grants and a \$450,000 Supplemental State Revolving Fund loan to be received in the year ending June 30, 2012.

In December 2011, the embankment on the eastern side of the wastewater treatment lagoon project did not meet the specifications and provisions of the construction contract. The City hired an independent engineer to assess the situation and recommend changes. In March 2012, Terracon recommended revising the geometry of the lagoon to enable completion of the project with acceptable factors for safety and compliance with the revised plans. Reconstruction began in the spring of 2012 and is scheduled for completion in August 2012. As of the date of this report, the responsible parties and the final costs and financing methods have not been determined.

As explained in note 3, certain notes payable may be forgiven upon completion of the projects. Since the last of the projects is scheduled to be completed in August 2012, the status of these forgivable notes and the associated costs has not been determined as of the date of this report.

### 13/ Deficit Fund Balances

The Employee Benefits and the Debt Service Funds had deficit balances of \$ 2,669 and \$14,527. The deficits will be eliminated by future tax receipts.

# City of Baxter, Iowa

# Budgetary Comparison Schedule of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Balances Budget and Actual (Cash Basis) - All Governmental Funds and Proprietary Funds Required Supplementary Information Year ended June 30, 2011

	ernmental ds Actual	Enterprise Funds Actual	Net
Receipts			
Property Taxes	\$ 199,110		\$ 199,110
Tax Increment Financing Collections	103,642		103,642
Other City Taxes	79,673		79,673
Licenses and permits	5,862		5,862
Use of money and property	9,323	618	9,941
Intergovernmental	117,580	509,417	626,997
Charges for Service	548	528,827	529,375
Special Assessments			
Miscellaneous	 12,227		12,227
Total Receipts	 527,965	1,038,862	\$ 1,566,827
Disbursements			
Public safety	165,338		165,338
Public works	176,760		176,760
Health and Social Services			•
Culture and recreation	44,880		44,880
Community and economic development	66,744		66,744
General government	61,562		61,562
Debt service	225,709	144,850	370,559
Business type activities		3,873,587	3,873,587
Total Disbursements	740,993	4,018,437	4,759,430
Excess (deficiency) of receipts			
over (under) disbursements	 (213,028)	(2,979,575)	 (3,192,603)
Other financing sources, net	 48,435	3,043,015	 3,091,450
Excess (deficiency) of receipts and other			
financing sources over disbursements and other financing uses	(164,593)	63,440	(101,153)
2002	 <u> </u>		 
Balance - beginning of year	393,879	180,997	 574,876
Balance - end of year	\$ 229,286	\$ 244,437	\$ 473,723

See accompanying independent auditors' report.

				Final to Net
_	Or	iginal	Final	Variance
	\$	193,250	\$ 193,250	5860
		103,852	103,852	(210)
		74,221	84,813	(5,140)
		2,880	3,367	2,495
		11,280	11,280	(1,339)
		440,028	529,338	97,659
		504,820	583,443	(54,068)
		1,030	1,125	(1,125)
		1,395	 13,627	(1,400)
_	1,	332,756	1,524,095	42,732
		164,319	164,319	(1,019)
		114,855	192,989	16,229
		780	780	780
		43,421	47,576	2,696
		165,242	231,446	164,702
		59,429	75,316	13,754
		91,567	91,567	(278,992)
	6,	331,547	6,382,055	2,508,468
•	6,	971,160	7,186,048	2,426,618

Budgeted Amounts

 17,532	(43,326)	(57,827)
 582,997	582,997	(8,121)
\$ 600,529	\$ 539,671	\$ (65,948)

(5,661,953)

5,618,627

2,469,350

(2,527,177)

(5,638,404)

5,655,936

# City of Baxter, Iowa Notes to Required Supplementary Information – Budgetary Reporting June 30, 2011

The budgetary comparison is presented as Required Supplementary Information in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 41 for governments with significant budgetary perspective differences resulting from not being able to present budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund.

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the City Council annually adopts a budget on the cash basis following required public notice and hearing for all funds except Fiduciary Funds. The annual budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures.

Formal and legal budgetary control is based upon nine major classes of disbursements known as functions, not by fund or fund type. These nine functions are: public safety, public works, health and social services, culture and recreation, community and economic development, general government, debt service, capital projects, and business type activities. Function disbursements required to be budgeted include disbursements for the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Fund, Capital Projects Funds and Enterprise Funds. Although the budget document presents function disbursements by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated function level, not by fund. During the year, one budget amendment increased budgeted disbursements by \$214,888. The budget amendment is reflected in the final budgeted amounts.

During the year ended June 30, 2011, disbursements exceeded the amounts budgeted in the public safety and debt service functions.

Schedule 1

# City of Baxter, Iowa Schedule of Indebtedness For the year ended June 30, 2011

	Date of Issue	Interest Rates	Amount Originally Issued	Balance Beginning of Year
General Obligation Notes and Bonds Emergency Generator Storm Water Improvement Bonds 2010A Storm Water Improvement Bonds 2010B Water Improvement Note Vehicle Acquisition Note Totals	June, 2008 February, 2010 February, 2010 December, 2010 September, 2010	6.00% 3.00% 3.00% 3.00% 3.75%	\$ 21,420 1,025,000 254,000 64,000 37,000	\$ 7,377 22,816 38,424 \$ 68,617
Urban Renewal Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Revenue Bonds Series 2003 A Annual Appropriation Series 2005 Kid-Ville, Inc. Totals	August, 2003 March, 2005 August, 2008	3.68% 4.00% 0.00%	530,000 820,000 54,648	410,000
Revenue Bonds Water Project Bonds Sewer Revenue Bonds Series 2007 Sewer Revenue Bonds Series 2008 Water Revenue Bond 2010A Water Revenue Bond 2010B Sewer Revenue Bonds Series 2010A Sewer Revenue Bonds Series 2010B Totals	November, 1982 March, 2007 January, 2008 February, 2010 February, 2010 February, 2010 February, 2010	5.00% 3.00% 3.00% 3.00% 3.00% 3.00% 3.00%	\$ 500,000 303,000 900,000 272,000 68,000 1,702,000 1,123,000	248,000 730,000 47,414 68,000 17,020

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Issued During Year		edeemed ring Year	В	alance End of Year	Interest Paid	
During Tear	Du	ing icai		or rear		1 ard
\$	\$	7,377	\$		\$	449
841,395		40,000		824,211		13,628
215,576				254,000		
64,000				64,000		
37,000				37,000		
\$ 1,157,971	\$	47,377	\$	1,179,211	\$	14,077
	\$	50,522	\$		\$	1,225
		82,000		328,000		16,400
		9,108		27,324		
	\$	141,630	\$	355,324	\$	17,625
						<del></del>
\$	\$	16,268	\$	240,666	\$	13,732
		12,000		236,000		8,060
		33,000		697,000		23,725
219,586		10,000		257,000		6,597
				68,000		
1,684,980				1,702,000		21,470
21,094				528,085		
\$ 1,925,660	\$	71,268	\$	3,728,751	\$	73,584

# City of Baxter, Iowa Bond and Note Maturities June 30, 2011

		General Obli	gation Notes				Urban Rer	iewal Tax Increm	ent (TIF) Rev	enue Bonds	
	Water I	mprovement	Vehi	cle Acquisition			Annual Appropria	ation Series 2005	Kid	I-Ville, Inc	
	Decem	ber 27, 2010	Septe	mber 21, 2010			Issued Marc	h 16, 2005	Issued A	August 11, 2008	
Year Ending June 30,	Interest Rates (%)	Amount	Interest Rates(%)	Amount	Total	Year Ending June 30,	Interest Rates (%)	Amount	Interest Rates (%)	Amount	Total
2012	3.00	64,000	3.75	14,000	78,000	2012	4.00	82,000	0.00	9,108	91,108
2013			3.75	7,500	7,500	2013	4.00	82,000	0.00	9,108	91,108
2014			3,75	7,500	7,500	2014	4,00	82,000	0.00	9,108	91,108
2015			3.75	8,000	8,000	2015	4,00	82,000	0,00		82,000
Totals		\$ 64,000		\$ 37,000	101,000	Totals		\$ 328,000		\$ 27,324 \$	355,324

				Revenue Bonds							
	Sewer Revenue Bonds Series Sewer Revenue Bond Water Project Bonds 2007 2008			Water Revenue Bon A	ds Series 2010		nue Bonds Series 010 A				
	Issued Nover	nber 23, 1982	Issued M	arch 15, 2007	Issued Januar	ry 29, 2008	Issued Februar	y 2, 2010	Issued Feb	oruary 2, 2010	
Year Ending June 30,	Interest Rates (%)	Amount	Interest Rates (%)	Amount	Interest Rates (%)	Amount	Interest Rates (%)	Amount	Interest Rates (%)	Amount	Total
2012	5.00	17,612	3.00	13,000	3,00	34,000	3,00	10,000	3.00	62,000	136,612
2013	5.00	18,492	3.00	13,000	3.00	35,000	3,00	11,000	3.00	64,000	141,492
2014	5.00	19,417	3.00	13,000	3.00	36,000	3.00	11,000	3.00	66,000	145,417
2015	5.00	20,388	3.00	14,000	3.00	37,000	3,00	11,000	3.00	68,000	150,388
2016	5.00	21,407	3.00	14,000	3.00	39,000	3,00	12,000	3.00	70,000	156,407
2017	5.00	22,477	3.00	15,000	3,00	40,000	3,00	12,000	3.00	72,000	161,477
2018	5.00	23,601	3.00	15,000	3.00	41,000	3.00	12,000	3.00	75,000	166,601
2019	5.00	24,781	3.00	16,000	3.00	42,000	3.00	13,000	3,00	77,000	172,781
2020	5,00	26,020	3.00	16,000	3.00	44,000	3,00	13,000	3.00	80,000	179,020
2021	5.00	27,322	3.00	16,000	3.00	45,000	3.00	14,000	3.00	82,000	184,322
2022	5.00	19,149	3.00	17,000	3.00	47,000	3.00	14,000	3.00	85,000	182,149
2023			3.00	18,000	3.00	48,000	3.00	14,000	3.00	88,000	168,000
2024			3.00	18,000	3.00	50,000	3.00	15,000	3.00	91,000	174,000
2025			3,00	19,000	3,00	51,000	3.00	15,000	3.00	93,000	178,000
2026			3,00	19,000	3.00	53,000	3.00	16,000	3.00	97,000	185,000
2027					3.00	55,000	3,00	16,000	3.00	100,000	171,000
2028					3,00		3,00	17,000	3.00	103,000	120,000
2029							3,00	18,000	3.00	106,000	124,000
2030							3,00	13,000	3.00	110,000	123,000
2031									3.00	113,000	113,000
Totals		\$ 240,666	_	\$ 236,000		\$ 697,000		\$ 257,000		\$ 1,702,000	\$ 3,132,666

See accompanying independent auditors' report.

# City of Baxter, Iowa Schedule of Receipts by Source and Disbursements by Function All Governmental Funds For Three Years

	•	2011	 2010		2009
Receipts			 		
Property taxes	\$	199,110	\$ 170,979	\$	120,478
Tax Increment Financing Collections		103,642	140,593		235,077
Other City Taxes		79,673	76,647		84,650
Licenses and permits		5,862	2,990		2,970
Use of money and property		9,323	8,893		13,245
Intergovernmental		117,580	111,214		104,506
Charges for service		548	2,158		2,084
Miscellaneous		12,227	 7,664		5,536
Total	\$	527,965	\$ 521,138	\$	568,546
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Disbursements					
Operating					
Public safety	\$	165,338	\$ 148,271	\$	152,858
Public works		176,760	110,023		124,575
Health and social services			780		780
Culture and recreation		44,880	37,420		40,658
Community and economic development		66,744	194,029		191,548
General government		61,562	59,301		66,658
Debt service		225,709	 10,476		12,402
Total	\$	740,993	\$ 560,300	\$	589,479

See accompanying independent auditors' report.

# City of Baxter, Iowa Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended June 30, 2011

Schedule 4

To the Teat Ended June 30, 2011			
	CFDA	Program Expenditures	
Grantor/Program	Number		
Pass- Through Program From:			
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency			
Iowa Department of Natural Resources			
Capitalization Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds	ARRA 66.458	\$ 1,672,980	
Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds	ARRA 66.468	219,586	
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development			
Iowa Department of Economic Development			
Community Development Block Grants/ State's			
Program and Non- Entitlement Grants in Hawaii			
09 CDR 001	ARRA 14.228	330,275	
09 CDR 012	ARRA 14,228	179,142	
		\$ 2,401,983	

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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, and each major fund of the City of Baxter, Iowa as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents, and have issued our report thereon as dated below. Our report expressed qualified opinions on the financial statements which were prepared in conformity with an other comprehensive basis of accounting. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards, and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the City of Baxter's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing and opinion on effectiveness of the City's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and ,therefore, there can be no assurance all deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses have been identified. However, we identified deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting, described in Part II of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs, that we considered to be a material weaknesses.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned function, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility a material misstatement of the City's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City of Baxter's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of non-compliance or other matters that are described in Part IV of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the City's operations for the year ended June 30, 2010 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the City. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

The City of Baxter's responses to findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. While we have expressed our conclusion on the City's responses, we did not audit the City's responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This report, a matter of public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials, employees and citizens of the City of Baxter and other parties to whom the City may report. This report is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

July 30, 2012

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO THE MAJOR PROGRAM AND INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

### Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the City of Baxter with the types of compliance requirements described in the <u>U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement</u> that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2011. The City's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of the City's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the City's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the City's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the City's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the City of Baxter complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2011.

# Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the City is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the City's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control over compliance.

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described on the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and, therefore, there can be no assurance all deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses have been identified. However, we identified a deficiency in internal

control over compliance, described in Part III of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs that we considered to be material weaknesses.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned function, to prevent or detect and correct noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance such that there is a reasonable possibility material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

The City of Baxter's responses to findings in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. While we have expressed our conclusion on the City's responses, we did not audit the City's responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This report is intended solely for the information of the officials, employees and citizens of the City of Baxter and other parties, including and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties

July 30, 2012

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# CITY OF BAXTER, IOWA SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

#### PART I- SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

- a. Qualified opinion was issued on the financial statements which were prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.
- b. Material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting were disclosed by the audit of the financial statements.
- c. The audit did not disclose any non-compliance which is material to the financial statements.
- d. A material weakness in internal control over the major program was disclosed by the audit of the financial statements.
- e. An unqualified opinion was issued on compliance with the requirements applicable to the major program.
- f. The audit did not disclose any findings which are required to be reported in accordance with Circular A-133, Section .510(a).
- g. The major program was CFDA Number 66.458 Capitalization Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds.
- h. The dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and B programs was \$ 300,000.
- i. The City did not qualify as a low-risk auditee.

# PART II Findings Related to the Financial Statements

### INTERNAL CONTROL DEFICIENCIES:

### II-A-11 Segregation of Duties

One important aspect of internal accounting control is the segregation of duties among employees to prevent an individual employee from handling duties which are incompatible. The posting of the cash receipts and disbursements to the general ledger, reconciliations and securities control and custody are all done by the same person.

## Recommendation

We realize that with a limited number of office employees, segregation of duties is difficult. However, the City should review its control procedures to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances.

# Response

The City will attempt to segregate duties to the extent possible to provide additional control through review of financial transactions and reports and segregation of duties.

Conclusion- Response accepted.

INSTANCES OF NON- COMPLIANCE: No matters were noted.

PART III Findings and Questioned Costs For Federal Awards

INSTANCES OF NON- COMPLIANCE: No matters were noted.

# INTERNAL CONTROL DEFICIENCIES

III-A-11 <u>Segregation of Duties Over Federal Receipts and Disbursements</u>- The City did not segregate duties including those related to federal programs. Even though the City hired an outside project administrator, the actual receipts and disbursements were processed by the City. See items II-A-11. This was a prior year finding identified as item III-A-10.

# PART IV Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting

# IV-A-11 Certified Budget

Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2011 exceeded the amounts budgeted in the public safety and debt service functions. Chapter 384.20 of the Code of Iowa states, in part, "Public monies may not be expended or encumbered except under an annual or continuing appropriation."

# Recommendation

The budget should have been in accordance with Chapter 384.18 of the Code of Iowa before disbursements were allowed to exceed the budget.

#### Response

The budget will be amended in the future, if applicable.

Conclusion- Response accepted.

### IV-B-11 Questionable Disbursements

We noted no disbursements for parties, banquets or other entertainment expenses that do not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979.

# IV-C-11 Travel Expense

No disbursements of City money for travel expenses of spouses of City officials or employees were noted.

### IV-D-11 Business Transactions

During the year ended June 20, 2011, the City purchased goods and services from the following City officials:

Bryan DeJong Council Member and owner of Baxter Oil Company \$9,654 Kelly Milligan Council Member and owner of Keltek Incorporated \$602

# Recommendation

Since the payments to Baxter Oil Company are in excess of \$2,500, they may be in violation of Chapter 362.5(11) of the Code of Iowa. The City should consult legal counsel to determine the disposition of this matter.

#### Response

We purchase fuel and supplies from Baxter Oil Company, which is the only type of vendor within the City.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

# IV-E-11 Bond Coverage

Surety bond coverage of City officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions.

# IV-F-11 Council Minutes

No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the Council minutes but were not.

# IV-G-11 Deposits and Investments

We noted no instances of noncompliance with deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and 12C of the Code of Iowa.